

I am distressed by Sinclair Broadcasting's heavy handed treatment in forcing their stations to air an anti-Kerry documentary - not only air it, but air it during prime-time, in swing states and mere days before the election.

Sinclair has a public trust and is, I believe, obligated by law to serve the public interest. We have lost the 'equal time' requirement and now large companies are disregarding any moral imperative and are pandering (either by choosing to air or, recently, pulling at the bequest of the current government, shows planned to be aired). Not only is it bad for democracy, but the fundamental federalist principal of our country - that local thinking should impact national thinking - not the other way around, is at risk. I would ask that you examine the way Sinclair is ignoring its moral duty and provide that other great fundamental principal of our country - a check on the abuse of power by those whose power derives from the government.

Thank you.